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Respectfully submitted,

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	Translation ⁶
		Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
		JP 5-194359	08/03/1993	Pierre Farble Medicaman		
		WO 99/20599	04/29/1999	G. Durant et al.		
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NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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		Written Opinion of International Search Authority International Application No. PCT/JP 2005/002950	Yes

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